

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:
Reginald Hunter**

Serial No.: 09/685,191

Confirmation No.: 5577

Filed: October 6, 2000

**For: Method and Apparatus to
Provide For Automated Process
Verification and Hierarchical
Substrate Examination**

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Group Art Unit: 2877

Examiner: Zandra V. Smith

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 24, 2004

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 24, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due in connection with this response, ~~the Commissioner~~ is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/3083.P7/AOP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD
Effective October 1, 2001

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS		
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	21 - minus 20 =	1
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 - minus 3 =	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE ☐

OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X40=	
+135=	
TOTAL	

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	710.00
X\$18=	18.00
X80=	
+290=	
TOTAL	728.00

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total	* 21 Minus ** 21	=
	Independent	* 5 Minus *** 3	= 2
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>		

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE ☐

OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X43=	
+148=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X86=	172.00
+290=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total	* 20 Minus ** 21	=
	Independent	* 2 Minus *** 5	= 2
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>		

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X49=	
+148=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X86=	172.00
+290=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total	* 9 Minus ** 21	=
	Independent	* 8 Minus *** 7	= 1
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>		

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI-TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	86
+280=	
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	

- * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
- ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
- *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
- The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.